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Ms. Colleen Woods
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Dear Ms. Woods:

During a recent shelf review, we discovered that we had not replied to your 29 October 2018 letter, received in the office of the Information and Privacy Coordinator on 29 October 2018, requesting records under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) nor your 16 November 2018 letter, received in the office of the Information and Privacy Coordinator on 16 November 2018, asking for the status of your 29 October 2018 FOIA request. We apologize for this administrative oversight. This is a quick acknowledgement to advise you that we received your request for:

1. All files pertaining to Operation Brotherhood, an organization that sent medical teams from the Philippines to Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia in the 1950s-1970s. Operation Brotherhood is referenced in CIA-RDP80R01731R000300180001-3.
2. All files pertaining to the Freedom Company, an organization that sent Filipino technicians to Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia in the 1950s-1970s. The Freedom Company is referenced in CIA-RDP8001601R001000080001-5.
3. All files pertaining to the Eastern Construction Company, an organization that sent Filipinos to Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia in the 1950s-1970s. The Eastern Construction Company is referenced in CIA-RDP80R01731R000300180001-3.

Your request was assigned the reference number above. Please use this number when corresponding to that we can identify it easily.

Our officers will review and process your request in more detail and will only communicate to you if they should encounter any problems or if they cannot begin the search without additional information or clarification. We will search for CIA-originated records up to and including the date the Agency starts its search.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Allison Fong".

Allison Fong
Information and Privacy Coordinator